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## Amendments to the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (currently amended) A frozen unproofed, unbaked biscuit swirl capable of being baked without an intermediate thawing or proofing step comprising:
  - a) a nonlaminated biscuit dough comprising flour, water, chemical leavening system, sugar and fat;
  - b) a smear layer having a water activity that is compatible with said biscuit dough;

said biscuit dough being formed in a swirl with the smear layer located between adjacent portions of the biscuit dough, said biscuit swirl being in a frozen, unproofed state

wherein said biscuit swirl, when baked, has a baked specific volume of at least about 2.2.

- (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 1, wherein said biscuit dough further comprises protein.
- 3. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 2, wherein said biscuit dough comprises ingredients in the following amounts:

| flour                     | 40-60% |
|---------------------------|--------|
| water                     | 20-30% |
| chemical leavening system | 1-5%   |
| sugar                     | 3-10%  |
| fat                       | 12-20% |
| protein                   | 1-10%. |

4. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 1, wherein said biscuit dough has a water activity of between 0.93 and 0.97, and the smear layer has a water activity between 0.77 and 0.84.

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- 5. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 1, wherein the overall weight of said biscuit swirl is less than 2 oz.
- 6. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 1, wherein the overall weight of said biscuit swirl is greater than 3 oz.
- 7. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 1, wherein the overall weight of said biscuit swirl is greater than 5 oz.
- 8. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 1, wherein the overall weight of said biscuit swirl is greater than 7 oz.
- 9. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 1, wherein said smear layer is sweet.
- 10. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 1, wherein said smear layer is savory.
- 11. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 1, wherein said smear layer is cheese flavored.
- 12. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 1, wherein said smear layer comprises
  - a) margarine or butter,
  - b) high fructose corn syrup,
  - c) sucrose, and
  - d) flavorant.
- 13. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 12, wherein said flavorant is cinnamon.
- 14. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 12, wherein said flavorant is maple syrup.
- 15. (original) The biscuit swirl of claim 12, wherein said flavorant is a fruit flavor.

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- 16. (original) A method of preparing a biscuit swirl comprising
  - a) providing a frozen, unproofed, unbaked biscuit swirl of claim 1; and
  - b) baking said biscuit swirl without an intermediate thawing or proofing step.